

# **SC Annual School Report Card Summary**

Joanna-Woodson Elementary School

Laurens 56

Grades: K-5 **Enrollment: 318** 

Principal: George E. Marshall. Jr. Superintendent: David C. O'Shields

**Board Chair: Jim Barton** 

### PERFORMANCE

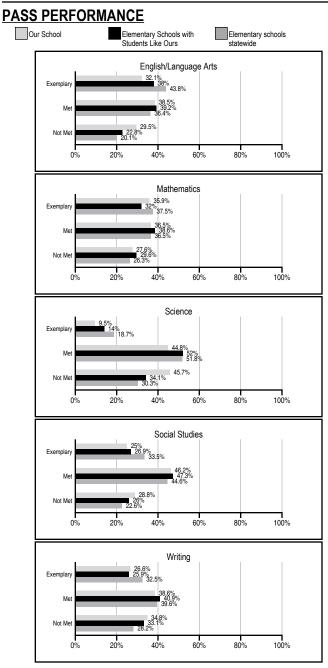
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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL	ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	С	N/A
2012	Average	Good	Silver	N/A	Α	Reward
2011	Average	Good	Silver	N/A	Met	N/A

# ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
12	24	92	8	1

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.



#### **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRA	DE 4 (2011)						
South Carolina	39	33	22	6			
Nation	34	34	25	7			
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MATH – GRADE 4 (2011)							
South Carolina	21	43	31	5			
Nation	18	42	33	6			
% Below Basic							
SCIENCE – GRA	DE 4 (2009)	ı					
South Carolina	28	38		33			
Nation	29	39	3	32			
	% Below	Basic % Basic, P	roficient, and Ad	lvanced			

#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

## Joanna-Woodson Elementary School [Laurens 56] SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=318)				
Retention rate	3.4%	Up from 2.4%	1.2%	0.9%
Attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 95.9%	96.0%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	3.7%	N/A	5.6%	7.2%
With disabilities	25.2%	N/A	14.1%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	6.2%	N/A	2.4%	1.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=18)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	50.0%	Up from 41.2%	61.1%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	88.9%	Down from 94.1%	83.3%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.2%	Up from 82.9%	88.0%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	95.9%	Down from 97.4%	94.6%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,849	Up 6.5%	\$47,473	\$48,193
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	6.7%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	9.1 days	Down from 10.8 days	11.4 days	11.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	4.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.9 to 1	Up from 17.2 to 1	20.0 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.4%	Down from 92.1%	89.5%	90.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,867	Down 4.7%	\$7,340	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	59.0%	Down from 59.7%	68.0%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.0%	Up from 56.9%	65.0%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	77.4	Down from 94.7	83.8	88.0

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

#### EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	16	56	42
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.1%	94.7%	97.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.1%	94.7%	97.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100%	86.2%	87.8%

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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### REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Joanna-Woodson Elementary School continues to provide a positive and safe environment for all, which promotes high academic standards and expectations for all students. JWES is committed to preparing students to become ethical and productive citizens by achieving excellence, embracing innovation, and forging new traditions.

Academic excellence for all students continues to be our goal. Joanna-Woodson was recognized this year with a Palmetto Silver Award for academic excellence. Under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Federal Accountability System, Joanna Woodson's overall grade was an A signifying performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations. By continuing to be a part of TAP, The System for Teacher and Student Achievement, we have participated in extensive professional development during our cluster meetings each week, followed up by instructional implementation in the classroom.

The education of the STARS at Joanna-Woodson is a community effort. Local businesses assist in donation of supplies and funds to support educational programs. Local churches in the attendance area support grade levels and classrooms with any needs that may arise. Community volunteers come in weekly to assist students in reading, math, self-esteem, and other areas. NORBORD created a nature trail during this school year and the students will be able to enjoy it for years to come. JWES is truly a fine example of the community coming together for one common purpose: EDUCATION.

JWES participated once again in "FUEL UP TO PLAY 60" this year, a program sponsored by the National Dairy Council and the NFL. This program promotes healthy eating and physical activity school wide. The students participated in planting grade level box gardens, classroom physical activity breaks, and a FUTP60 club. A \$4000 grant was provided to assist in this school-wide promotion. Through the grade level garden project, students were about to plant, nurture, harvest, and eat their vegetables. We look forward to continuing this program for years to come. We continued to participate in the Special Olympics Project Unify, a program to shows that we respect everyone. This program was a tremendous success for everyone.

JWES is a small school with a huge heart for others. Together we collected food for our local food bank, and raised over \$4700 for Relay for Life. This goes to show that small acts of kindness can make a world of difference.

We are blessed to have such wonderful support all around us and know that there are people out in the world that truly care about our future, our children. We will continue to work together as we strive for Excellence...One STAR At A Time.

George E. Marshall, Jr. IIII Wendy Wofford Principal SIC Chairperson

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.